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**THE NEWS & SENTINEL, INC.
Colebrook, New Hampshire**

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OFFICERS

Moderator

KENNETH PARKHURST

Town Clerk

GLORIA MERCER

Selectmen

LYNN PARKHURST

ROGER W. YOUNG

CLYDE SHALLOW

Tax Collector

JAMES MERCER, SR.

Supervisors

GLADYS PILBRO

ERNEST PILBRO

FAY BARNETT

Trustees of Town Library

THELMA COVELL

HARRIETTE LANG

EDWIN FRIZZELL

Auditors

MARILYN KEACH*

ANNIE FRIZZELL*

Trustees of Trust Funds

EUGENE JORDAN

GLADYS PILBRO

Town Treasurer

GLORIA MERCER

* Auditors appointed by the selectmen to replace Barbara Haynes and Arlene White, who were elected to the office but resigned.

WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Columbia, in the County of Coos, in the State of New Hampshire , qualified to vote in town affairs: ..

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town, on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects

1. To vote and bring in ballots for the election of Town Officers to be elected by ballot for the Town of Columbia for the ensuing year.
2. To see if the Town will instruct its Selectmen to appoint all other Town Officers as required by law.
3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of the poor for the year ensuing.
4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for Old Age, Blind and Disability Assistance for the year ensuing.
5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the repairs of highways and bridges.
6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Selectmen to take such action regarding plowing or otherwise keeping winter roads open in said Town for the year ensuing, as in their judgment seems most conducive to the best interest of the Town, and appropriate money for the same.
7. To see if the Town will vote to accept State Aid for Construction of Class V roads and raise and appropriate or set aside for said purpose for the sum of \$478.91 the State to contribute the sum of \$3,192.72.

8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply any surplus remaining in their hands at the end of the fiscal year 1961 to the defraying of Town charges for the fiscal year 1962 in order to effect a proportionate reduction of the amount to be raised by taxes.
9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of hose and necessary nozzles for use with the portable pump now furnished to the Town by the New Hampshire Forestry Department.
10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 for the Colebrook-Pittsburg Chamber of Commerce, for the purpose of publicizing and promoting the Town and the area.
11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$90.00 for the purpose of uniting with the 45 other towns in the White Mountains Region Association in publicizing and otherwise promoting the natural and commercial factors upon which the economy of the North Country is based.
12. To see what action the Town will take with reference to hiring the Colebrook Fire Precinct for the purpose of extinguishing fires in said Town, and in the event of favorable action to make necessary appropriation for the same.
13. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the upkeep of cemeteries.
14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to incur debts temporary loans in anticipation of the taxes for the ensuing year, and to pay such debts out of tax money when the same is received.
15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to administer or dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town through Tax Collector's deeds.
16. To see if the Town will vote to close the public library

now maintained in the Town of Columbia for a period of one year.

17. If Article 16 above fails of passage, to see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to operate and maintain the Columbia Public Library.
18. To see what sum of money the Town will raise for the support of Town Charges for the ensuing year.
19. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of cutting and removing the bushes from the side of the highways in such places as the Selectmen think most expedient.
20. To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of agents, auditors, Selectmen and all other officers, and ratify and confirm the same.
21. To transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this Fifteenth day of February, A. D. 1962.

CLYDE SHALLOW
LYNN PARKHURST
ROGER W. YOUNG
Selectmen of Columbia

A True Copy Attest:

CLYDE SHALLOW
LYNN PARKHURST
ROGER W. YOUNG
Selectmen of Columbia

BUDGET

Railroad Tax ----	\$215.34	\$250.00
Interest on Taxes	151.66	25.00
Yield taxes	3,297.57	3,500.00
Dog Licenses	28.00	30.00
Auto Permits	2,446.12	2,242.46
Poll Taxes	302.00	344.00
Filing Fees	3.00	-----
Class V Roads	2,113.42	-----
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		6,391.46

Taxes Assessed

Town Charges	\$2,500.00
Fire Department	1,000.00
T. R. A.	481.47
Summer Roads	3,500.00
Winter Roads	5,000.00
Cutting Bushes	300.00
Old Age Assistance	600.00
Town Poor	1,000.00
Cemeteries	300.00
White Mt. Region Assn.	56.44
Bridges	500.00
Library	150.00
County Tax	2,020.60
School Tax	32,731.00
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	\$50,139.51
Less: Estimated Revenues	6,391.46
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	43,748.05
Plus Overlay	821.06
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	44,569.11

TAX RATE — —\$7.20

Town	\$1.59
County	.33
School	5.28

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Cash in hands of Treasurer	\$35,653.50
Adjustment of Auditors	143.56
Unredeemed Taxes:	
1961	3,368.35
1960	1,015.49
1959	188.21
Previous Years	769.88
Uncollected Taxes	
1961	424.05
1960	186.93
1959	125.99
Previous Years	287.82
State Head Taxes—Unpaid	200.00
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	42,363.78
Due School District, January 1, 1962	\$29,831.00

INVOICE OF PROPERTY

Land and Buildings	\$442,968.50
Mill Machinery	10,500.00
Electric plants	95,320.00
House Trailers	2,400.00
Stock in Trade	5,000.00
16 Horses	2,025.00
447 Cows	46,555.00
80 Neat Stock	6,520.00
21 Sheep	270.00
5550 Fowl	4,580.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	525.00
Wood and Lumber	25,531.00
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Total Gross Valuation	\$642,194.50
Less Soldiers' Exemptions	13,024.00
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Net Valuation	629,160.50

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Land and Buildings	\$5,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Library Furniture and Fixtures	1,000.00
Highway Dept. Land and Buildings	2,500.00
Equipment	8,700.00
Schools, Land and Buildings	12,000.00
Equipment	4,000.00
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	\$33,700.00

Selectmen's Report

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 1, 1961	\$19,362.67
Adjustment of Auditors	143.56
State of New Hampshire, Ivan Nason	24.75
Railroad Tax	215.34
Saving Bank Tax	.61
Auto Permits, Gloria Mercer	2,446.12
Dog Permits, Gloria Mercer	28.00
Filing Fees	3.00
State of N. H. Class V Roads	2,113.42
State of N. H.	268.96
James Mercer, Tax Collector	53,584.59
State of N. H., T. R. A.	201.69
Cemetery lots	25.00
Farmers and Traders Nat'l & Sav. Bank.	
Temporary Loan	10,000.00
Yield Tax Reimbursement	1,383.81
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	\$89,801.52

TOWN EXPENSES 1961

Officers Salaries	
Lynn Parkhurst, Selectman	\$150.00
Clyde Shallow, Selectman	150.00
Roger Young, Selectman	150.00

Gloria Mercer, Town Clerk	150.00
Gloria Mercer, Treasurer	150.00
James E. Mercer, Tax Collector	150.00
Clyde Shallow, Overseer of Poor	35.00
Myrtle Parker, Librarian	20.00
Fay Barnett, Supervisor	20.00
Ernest Pilbro, Supervisor	25.00
Gladys Pilbro, Supervisor	25.00
Barbara Haynes, Auditor	15.00
Arlene White, Auditor	10.00

1,050.00

Officers Expenses

Assessors Ass'n Dues	\$ 3.00
Brown & Saltmarsh, Supplies	27.26
Thelma Covell, Clerical	42.45
News and Sentinel, Notices, etc.	36.25
New and Sentinel, Town Reports	223.67
News and Sentinel, Tax Forms	20.15
Warren A. Bartlett, Cards	10.92
Milton Adair	30.00
Branham Pub. Co, Supplies	7.45
Elsie Annis, Bond	13.50
A. R. George, Bond	77.00
Gloria Mercer, Change	50.00
Marshall & Kent, Insurance (tractor)	25.00
Charles R. Hardy	3.00
Walter & Clark, supplies	14.23
N. H. Tax Coll Ass'n	3.00
Clyde Shallow, Timber tax pay	75.00
Roger Young, Timber tax pay	75.00
Lynn Parkhurst, Timber tax pay (2 yrs.)	150.00
Gloria Mercer, Town Clerk Expenses	175.69
F. L. Town Co., supplies	1.00
Clyde Shallow, Overseer Expenses	8.00
Isabelle Parkhurst, Clerical	100.00
Lynn Parkhurst, Selectman's expenses	9.64
James E. Mercer, Tax Collector's expenses	173.80

1,355.01

Election and Registration:

Mary White, Ballot Clerk	\$ 8.00
Myrtle Parker, Ballot Clerk	8.00

Lina Breen, Ballot Clerk	8.00
Alda Jackson, Ballot Clerk	8.00
Kenneth Parkhurst, Moderator	10.00

42.00

Police:

Lynn Parkhurst	22.40
Harold Parker	6.50

28.90

Town Buildings:

Public Service Co.	\$24.05
Kenneth Parkhurst, Repairs	18.08
L. Parkhurst & Sons, Bldg. Materials & Labor	45.94

88.07

Fires:

Roger Young	\$ 14.23
Edwin Frizzell, Denis Caouette	1.95
Arthur Gould, Denis Caouette	1.95
David Shallow, Denis Caouette	4.55
Joe Brooks, Denis Caouette	1.95
Ray Placey, Denis Caouette	1.95
Keith Burrill, Denis Caouette	1.95
Clark Smith, Denis Caouette	1.95
Edwin Smith, Denis Caouette	1.95
John Forbes, Denis Caouette	1.95
Harold Perry, Denis Caouette	1.95
Clyde Shallow, Denis Caouette	3.75
Harry Lang, Denis Caouette	2.90
Colebrook Fire Dept., Lina Breen	51.75
Colebrook Fire Dept., S. Rainville	79.75
Colebrook Fire Dept., L. Marshall	59.50
Colebrook Fire Dept., Charles White	853.50
Colebrook Fire Dept., Denis Caouette	145.00
Colebrook Fire Dept., Milton Adair	191.25

1,423.73

Bounties:

Kenneth Smith, Hedgehogs	\$ 4.50
David Shallow, Hedgehogs	4.00
Ernest Colley, Hedgehogs	5.00
Clyde Shallow, Hedgehogs	18.00

Lynn Parkhurst, Hedgehogs	1.50
Roger Young, Hedgehogs	1.50

34.50

Summer Roads:

Clyde Shallow, Truck and Gravel	\$ 164.40
L. Parkhurst & Sons, Truck and Labor	105.30
L. Parkhurst & Sons, Chloride	30.10
G. B. Currier, Chloride	611.85
David Shallow	46.15
Douglas Keach, Gravel	3.90
Elwin Gould, Gravel	4.50
L. Parkhurst & Sons, Truck & Dynamite	37.05
Fay Barnett, Labor	40.30
Winston Parkhurst, Labor	40.30
Charles J. White, Tractor and Truck	65.10
M. Murphy	5.20
Martin Frizzell	40.95
Kenneth McCloud	14.30
Edwin Frizzell	11.00
State of New Hampshire, Summer roads	800.00

2,020.40

Cutting Bushes:

Earl Cass	\$223.60
Robert Crowley	55.90
George A. Jackson	17.00

296.50

Winter Roads:

Clyde Shallow, Plowing and Sanding	\$957.40
Monty Goodrum,, Plowing and Sanding	546.70
David Shallow, Plowing and sanding	46.90
Vern Reynolds, Plowing and sanding	467.25
Clark Smith, Plowing and sanding	15.60
Freeman Colby, Jr., Plowing and sanding	10.00
Charles H. White, Sanding and truck	71.10
Edwin Frizzell, Sanding	45.10
Stewart Rainville, Sanding	16.05
Arthur Gould, Sanding	20.10
Hazen Goodrum, Plowing	43.13
L. Parkhurst & Sons, Sanding	19.20
Martin Frizzell, Sanding	4.55

Edwin Frizzell, Truck and tractor	35.00
L. Parkhurst & Sons, Antifreeze	4.00
Nugent Motor Co., repairs	23.08
Beaver Falls Garage, repairs	225.95
Hercules Lemieux, repairs	47.85
Laperle's Auto Serv., repairs	3.15
Ripley & Fletcher Co.	24.26
C. J. Lewis	173.77
Gulf Oil Co., Gas and Oil	162.99
Raymond White, Tractor and bucket	28.00
Kelley's Auto Supplies	2.65
Arthur Sweatt	30.00
L. Parkhurst & Sons, Bldg. Material	3.00
P. A. Hicks & Sons, Bldg. Material	85.57
Hazen Goodrum, Gas and oil	4.80
William Dexter	3.50
Charles H. White,, Winter sand	84.80
George Gould, Winter sand	84.80
H. Perry & W. Rainville, Chunk Wood	48.00
State of New Hampshire, Plowing snow	300.00
State of New Hampshire, Advance on plowing	200.00
Marshall & Kent, Insurance (truck & compensation)	104.15
Lynn Parkhurst, Plowing	4.00

3,964.40

Library:

Myrtle Parker \$80.00

Old Age Assistance:

Catherine Currier

Francis Jacques

Ivan Nason

\$390.87

Town Poor:

Evangeline Sweatt, Coos County Hospital 675.85

Claude Ellingwood, Coos County Hospital 54.28

Claude Ellingwood, Dr. W. Gifford 18.00

748.13

Cemeteries:

George A. Jackson 103.50

Harold Parker 90.00

193.50

Legal Expenses:

F. J. Harrigan, Warrant	15.00
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Adv. and Regional Assn.:

White Mt. Region Assn.	55.44
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Taxes Bought by Town and Interest:

Taxes Bought by Town	3368.35
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Interest on Loan	103.89
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	3472.24
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Town Constructions:

Fay Barnett, East Columbia bridge	5.20
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L. Parkhurst & Sons, East Columbia bridge	44.00
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Winston Parkhurst, M. Hill Bridge	3.90
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L. Parkhurst & Sons, M. Hill Bridgge	24.48
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	77.58
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State of New Hampshire:

Bond Tax	\$ 277.87
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Head Tax	842.50
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	1,120.37
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Refunds:

Elaine White, Car tax	\$12.39
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Watson Wright, Car tax	10.63
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Jamer Mercer, Jr., Car tax	32.05
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Mary L. Placey, Car tax	5.31
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Francis Chapple, Car tax	5.96
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Richard Harding, Car tax	8.35
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Ethel Harding, Car tax	2.87
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Charles J. White, Car tax	21.02
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Wilbur Rainville, Soldier's Exemption	72.00
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	170.58
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Temporary Loan:

Farmers & Traders Nat'l & Savings Bank	\$10,000.00
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County Tax	2,020.60
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T R. A.	481.47
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Paid School District, to January 1 1962	24,786.50
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James Mercer, Sev. Tax, John Cross	88.67
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Tax Collector's Report

Current Year Levy of 1961

Property, Poll and Yield Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	45,299.55
Poll taxes	346.00
Yield taxes	2,337.81

Added Taxes:

Property	47.55
Poll	4.00
Interest Collected	151.66

Total	48,186.57
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Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	45,005.21
Poll Taxes	302.00
Yield Taxes	1,913.76
Interest Collected	151.66

47,372.63

Abatements:

Property Taxes	316.76
Poll Taxes	18.00

334.76

Uncollected as per list:

Property Taxes	25.13
Poll Taxes	30.00
Yield Taxes	424.05

479.18

48,186.57

LEVY OF 1960

Uncollected as of January 1, 1961

Property Taxes	54.60
Poll Taxes	48.00
Yield Taxes	1,093.54
Added Polls	6.00
Interest Collected	28.68

1,230.82

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	31.20
Poll Taxes	28.00
Yield Taxes	906.61
Interest Collected	28.68

Uncollected:

Property Taxes	23.40
Poll Taxes	26.00
Yield Taxes	186.93

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236.33

1,230.82**LEVY OF 1959****Uncollected as of January 1, 1961**

Property Taxes	None
Poll Taxes	10.00
Yield Taxes	125.99

135.99**Remittances to Treasurer:**

Property Taxes	None
Poll Taxes	None
Yield Taxes	None

Uncollected:

Property Taxes	None
Poll Taxes	10.00
Yield Taxes	125.99

135.99**LEVY OF PREVIOUS YEARS****Uncollected as of January 1, 1961**

Property Taxes	88.27
Poll Taxes	14.00
Yield Taxes	287.82

390.09**Remittances to Treasurer**

Property Taxes	None
Poll Taxes	None
Yield Taxes	None

STATE HEAD TAX LEVY OF 1961

Head Taxes Committed to Collector:

Original Warrant	935.00
Added Taxes	20.00

Total Commitment	955.00
Penalties Collected	16.00

971.00

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes	845.00
Penalties	16.00

	861.00
Abatements	15.00
Uncollected as per list	95.00

971.00

STATE HEAD TAX LEVY OF 1960

Uncollected as of January 1, 1961	135.00
Added Taxes during 1961	10.00
Penalties collected during 1961	8.50

153.50

Remittances to Treasurer during 1961

Head Taxes	90.00
Penalties	8.50
Uncollected Head Taxes	55.00

153.50

STATE HEAD TAX LEVY OF PREVIOUS YEARS

Uncollected as of January 1, 1961	50.00
Collected during 1961	None

State Head Tax Levy of 1960

Uncollected as of January 1, 1961	135.00
Added Taxes during 1961	10.00
Penalties collected during 1961	8.50

153.50

Remittances to Treasurer during 1961

Head Taxes	90.00
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SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS AS OF

DEC. 31, 1961

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	1961	1960	1959	Prev. Years
Taxes sold to Town during current fiscal year. \$3368.35				
Balance of unredeemed taxes January 1, 1961		2290.36	860.35	823.93
Interest collected after sale		24.19	97.35	3.47
		2314.55	957.70	827.40

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Remittances to Treasurer during year		1169.06	605.49	57.52
Abatements during year		130.00	164.00	
Unredeemed taxes at close of year		1015.49	188.21	769.88
	\$3368.35	\$2314.55	\$957.70	\$827.40

UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM SALES AS OF DEC. 31, 1961

	1961	1960	1959	Prev. Years
Raymond Flanders	22.50			
Richard Harding	155.99			
Josephine Harding	25.76			
William Ball	16.81			
Verne Reynolds	350.67			
Louis Burness	10.95			
A. M. Bean Inc.	22.99			
Clifton Cilley	148.47			
Arthur Sweatt	61.91	40.37		
Azel Harding	369.05	56.72		
Clarence Goodrum	83.62	50.76		
Aaron Bennett	9.25			
Dolena Bennett	9.25			
Wesley Hartwell	68.95			
Beulah Hartwell	47.44			
Howard Gadwah	54.95	39.72		
Richards & Dion	904.94	696.81		
Keith Burrill	382.13			
Columbia Poultry Farm	432.12			
George Hibbard & S. Rainville	29.08	22.04	25.16	10.07
Maurice Pinard	67.07	49.48	59.60	417.16
Robert Rouleau	14.60			
Fred Demers	29.08			
Evangeline Sweatt	49.22	32.32		
Alton Hammond	1.55			
Jean Vachon			100.60	
Mae Parker Bumford		27.27		
John Lafond				37.39
Coleman Schoff			2.85	
Armand Brochu				33.43
Ernest Goodrum				19.03
Wilfred Dupuis				15.01
L. Grandmaison				217.15
L. Brochu				20.64
	\$3368.35	\$1015.49	\$188.21	\$769.88
			JAMES E. MERCER SR.	
			Tax Collector	

Current Year Levy of 1961

Uncollected Taxes as of December 31, 1961

Property:

Michael Cavanaugh	\$ 3.53
Dr. W. H. Gifford	21.60

25.13

Poll:

Barbara Cass	2.00
Myrtle Mills	2.00
Elizabeth Adair	2.00
Ethel Goodrum	2.00
Walter Prosper	2.00
Rose Prosper	2.00
Mae Ellingwood	2.00
William Reynolds	2.00
Eva Reynolds	2.00
Dorothy Jesseman	2.00
Barbara Swift	2.00
Walter Brown	2.00
Jeanette Brown	2.00
Clark Smith	2.00
Blanche Crowley	2.00

\$30.00

Yield:

Louis Grandmaison	2.40
Bertram Parker	9.81
J. R. Jackson and Son	99.87
Vern Reynolds	20.70
Earl Cass	86.62
Wesley Hartwell	3.69
Richards and Dion	167.32
Keith Burrill	33.64

\$424.05

Levy of 1960

Uncollected Taxes as of December 31, 1961

Property:

Armand Fortin	13.00
Wilfred Dupuis	10.40

23.40

Poll:

Ethel Goodrum	2.00
Blanche Goodrum	2.00
Dorothy Jesseman	2.00
Noel Bedard	2.00
Walter Brown	2.00
Jeanette Brown	2.00
Sylvia Bedard	2.00
Fred Jesseman	2.00
Earl Parker	2.00
William Hook	2.00
Fred Weimer	2.00
Glen Smith	2.00
Ruth Smith	2.00

 26.00
Yield:

John Cross	135.86
Wilbur Reynolds	3.00
Leon Giroux	18.12
Bertram Parker	29.95

 186.93
Levy of 1959**Uncollected Taxes as of December 31, 1961****Property:** None**Poll:**

Mrs. Freddie Noyes	1.00
Noel Bedard	2.00
Fred Weimer	1.00
Sylvia Bedard	2.00
Jean Vachon	2.00
Irene Vachon	2.00

 10.00
Yield:

Wilbur Reynolds	6.24
Louis Grandmaison	48.06
Lyman McKeage	13.61
Dennis Caouette	12.00
Leon Giroux	46.08

 \$125.99

Levy of Previous Years

Uncollected Taxes as of December 31, 1961

Property:

Irving Noyes	4.25
Louis Grandmaison	32.60
Irving Noyes	20.15
A. Biron	4.06
Harold Parker	18.62
Hollis Sweatt	5.02
Hollis Sweatt	3.57

\$88.27

Poll:

Alonzo Adams	2.00
H. Fields	2.00
Alonzo Adams	2.00
H. Fields	2.00
S. Jewett	2.00
H. Fields	2.00
H. Fields	2.00

14.00

Yield:

Wilbur Reynolds	12.00
Ernest Drew	11.10
Coos Forest Products	44.47
Wilbur Reynolds	145.25
Jesse Cass	75.00

287.82

HEAD TAXES

Uncollected Taxes as of December 31, 1961

Levy of 1961

Robert Cass	5.00
Barbara Cass	5.00
Austin Gray	5.00
Myrtle Mills	5.00
Bernard Goodrum	5.00
Ethel Goodrum	5.00
Walter Prosper	5.00
Rose Prosper	5.00

Leland Ellingwood	5.00
Mae Ellingwood	5.00
William Reynolds	5.00
Eva Reynolds	5.00
Dorothy Jesseman	5.00
Barbara Swift	5.00
Walter Brown	5.00
Jeanette Brown	5.00
Clark Smith	5.00
Robert Crowley	5.00
Blanche Crowley	5.00
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	\$95.00
Levy of 1960	
Bernard Goodrum	5.00
Ethel Goodrum	5.00
Dorothy Jesseman	5.00
Noel Bedard	5.00
Jeanette Brown	5.00
Sylvia Bedard	5.00
Fred Jesseman	5.00
Earl Parker	5.00
William Hook	5.00
Glen Smith	5.00
Ruth Smith	5.00
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	\$55.00
Levy of 1959	
Jean Vachon	5.00
Irene Vachon	5.00
Evangeline Sweatt	5.00
Silvan Sweatt	5.00
Noel Bedard	5.00
Sylvia Bedard	5.00
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	\$30.00
Levy of Previous Years	
Lonzo Adams	5.00
H. Fields	5.00
L. McKeage	5.00
Alonzo Adams	5.00
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	\$20.00

Town Clerks Report

During the year I have recorded 5 marriages,, 10 deaths and 10 births. Licenses have been paid me on dogs amounting to \$28.00. I have issued licenses on automobiles amounting to:

1960 Permits	\$ 12.20
1961 Permits	2433.92
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	\$2446.12

GLORIA MERCER
Town Clerk

Treasurer's Report

Cash on Hand January 1, 1961	\$19,362.67
Received from all sources	70,295.29
Auditor's Adjustment	143.56
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Total receipts to date	\$89,801.52
Less Selectmen's Orders	54,004.46
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Cash on Hand Jan 1, 1962	\$35,797.06

GLORIA MERCER
Town Treasurer

Trust Funds

Mary A. Walker March 4 ,1946

Balance Beginning Year	\$480.74
Original Principal	400.00
Income during year	14.60
Expended During Year	20.00
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Balance End Year	475.34
Farmers and Traders Savings Bank	
Care of East Columbia Cemetery	

Mrs. Warren Marshall Aug. 29, 1933

Balance Beginning Year	\$ 79.76
Original Principal	75.00
Income during year @3 per cent	2.38
Expended During Year	2.00
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Balance End Year	80.14
Farmers and Traders Savings Bank	
Care of East Columbia Cemetery	

Ellen Cleveland Mar. 27, 1933

Balance Beginning Year	\$115.90
Original Principal	100.00
Income during year @3 per cent	3.53
Expended During Year	6.00
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Balance End Year	113.43
Farmers and Traders Savings Bank	
Care of East Columbia Cemetery	

Henry Forristall Est. Sept 3, 1946

Balance Beginning Year	\$226.57
Original Principal	200.00
Income during year @4 per cent	9.22
Expended During Year	6.00
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Balance End Year	229.79
Colebrook Guaranty Savings Bank	
Care in East Columbia cemetery	

Totals, Trust Funds

Balance Beginning Year	\$902.97
Original Principal	775.00
Income During Year	29.73
Expended During Year	34.00
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Balance End Year	898.70

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

EUGENE JORDAN
GLADYS A. PILBRO
TRUSTEES

Auditors' Certificate

Having examined the receipts and expenditures of the town for the year ending December 31, 1961, and proper adjustment having been made, we believe, to the best of our ability and knowledge that the accounts are in proper order.

MARILYN M. KEACH
ANNIE S. FRIZZELL
Auditors

School Report

Columbia School District

Officers

Moderator

HARRY F. LANG

Clerk

ANNIE S FRIZZELL

Treasurer

ANNIE S. FRIZZELL

Auditors

ARLENE G. WHITE

BARBARA V. HAYNES

School Board

THELMA G. COVELL, CHM.

Term Expires 1962

ERWIN L. PARKHURST

Term Expires 1963

PAULINE D. CORLISS

Term Expires 1964

Superintendent of Schools

ERNEST B. DANA

Warrant

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Columbia qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on Monday, the 12th day of March, 1962, at 8:00 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To chose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund together with such other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.
9. To see if the district will vote to authorize the school board to make application for and to accept, on behalf

of the district, any or all grants or offers for educational purposes which may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the State of New Hampshire and/or United States.

10. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Columbia this 6th day of February, 1962.

THELMA G. COVELL, CHM.
ERWIN L. PARKHURST
PAULINE D. CORLISS
SCHOOL BOARD

Superintendent's Report

To the School Board and the Citizens of the School District
of Columbia

FOREWORD

As we continue to be told by professionals and laymen alike how public education should be and can be made more effective, it is interesting to note that about the only point upon which there is agreement to any extent is that of needed change. In respect to subject matter content, its method of presentation, and for what purpose, opinions come from as many quarters as the winds of the sky with shifts in their direction just about as often. One thing is sure, however, they keep us on the move, which calls for more attention being devoted to where we are trying to go, if there is to be any assurance that travel is to be in the right direction.

This direction in turn, is going to be determined largely by the selection of our educational goal. Of the many lines of thought expressed on this choice, two stand out. One holds that with the relatively short time available during the calendar year for formal school training, that the school should subordinate all its other generally accepted functions of today, and concentrate on the job it alone can do of developing the intellectual equipment of every child to its maximum point. In contrast to this stand, deemed by some to be too realistic, the other holds a more idealistic point of view. It maintains that the ultimate goal of our educational effort is wisdom—the ability to make wise independent decisions based upon accurate facts, clear reasoning, and complete understanding. As can readily be seen, although this goal, too, calls for the same universality in education, it is appreciably wider in scope. The implication is that education is more than mere training, more even than adjustment to the world as it is. It points to an educated individual prepared to take part in re-making his world by making sound decisions in whatever situations with which he may be faced. As can be seen, as meritorious as are the concepts embodied in either or both of these goals, the degree to which achievement is accomplished will be determined to the extent the human side is recognized in working toward their attainment.

Teachers

With little or no abatement in the teacher shortage, we are very fortunate to have veteran teachers in all positions. Mrs. Thelma V. Whitcher, a veteran teacher with experience both inside and outside the state, who received her training at Lyndon Teachers College in Vermont, teaches Grades 1-4 at the Cone School. Mrs. Florence B. Hughes teaches Grades 1-4 at the Church School, and Mrs. Myra A. Holbrook teaches 5-8 at the Grand Division School.

SCHOOL NURSE—HEALTH

The overall general good health exhibited by the pupils in our schools during the past several months, while our school nurse was confined at her home recovering from a major operation, emphatically indicates the importance of the work she has done.

It has been only through the conducting of frequent clinics, the administering of periodic immunizations, the giving of successive complete physical examinations, and the maintenance of constant check-up and continuous supervision procedures of a comprehensive health program operated over a prolonged period of time, that such good fortune could be experienced.

Repairs—Equipment

In keeping with the policy continued during the past several years, such repair work was done during the summer vacation period as would keep the buildings in a good state of maintenance. Painting included the outside of the building at the Church School, walls and ceiling in the classroom at the Grand Division School, and outside doors and casing and the book closet in the classroom at the Cone School. At the last named school, also, new fire grates were installed in the furnace, and the smoke pipe leading from this heating unit to the chimney was replaced with a new one. And included in the general carpentry work done at all buildings was the installation of lock sets in the doors leading from the woodshed to the toilets at the Grand Division School.

Items of equipment purchased since a year ago include additional tubular steel chairs and all wood desk units for the classrooms, and heavy rubber door mats to be used by the outside doors.

Enrollment and Attendance

For the first time in seven years, the enrollment in the schools within the district is less than it was the preceding year as it is 62 at the present time as compared to 65, 59, 58, 54, 54, and 49 for the respective previous six years. Of this year's enrollment one is a tuition pupil from Lemington, Vermont. The average percentage of attendance for the three schools for the past year was 94.67 and the average number of tardinesses per pupil was .07.

The total number of pupils enrolled in schools outside the district of 60, although appreciably less than last year's of 67, is in keeping with that of the preceding successive five years beginning with two years ago as shown by enrollments of 50, 56, 46, 51, and 46. A breakdown of these totals for the seven year period under comparison taken in the same successive order shown 25, 28, 20, 20, 21, 25, and 23 in high school and 35, 39, 30, 36, 25, 26, and 23 in elementary school.

Proposed Plans to Close Grand Division School

Although the total number of pupils enrolled inside the district, as indicated above, has continued to remain about the same for some time, the distribution of pupils has changed appreciably. For the past two years, the number enrolled at the Cone has been nearly as large as the combined number as the Church and Grand Division Schools. Projected school enrollment for the next five year period also, as determined by the 1961 school census just taken indicates an even further decrease in the school population in the East side of the district.

On the basis of this information relative to the number and distribution of pupils in the future, the school board is planning to close the Grand Division School this next year, since it has no running water or cellar and is the smaller of the two buildings on the East side. Grades 1-6 will be assigned to the Church School, and Grades 7-8 from that area will be transported to Colebrook. It is found that by making this change in organization, a substantial saving can be realized by the district.

Notes on the Budget

On the basis of conducting two schools only within the district, the School Board's budget for 1962-63 is \$45,225.00

in comparison to \$44,731.00 for the current year. This amount is decreased by an estimated income of \$17,000.00 which leaves a balance of \$28,225.00 to be raised by taxes by the town as compared to \$32,731.00 for the current year. If the three present schools are to be continued, the budget is \$47,611.00. As can be readily seen, the cost of operating two schools and transporting the 7th and 8th Grade pupils from the East side to Colebrook is appreciably less than that of keeping three schools open.

CONCLUSION

May I again express my deep appreciation to the members of the School Board, parents, teachers, and citizens for all the assistance and cooperation received as we have worked together during the past several years in our joint effort to provide and maintain high standards in our schools.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST B. DANA

Superintendent of Schools

Financial Report

RECEIPTS 1960-61

State Aid	\$13,005.23
Current Appropriation	21,836.50
School Tuition	200.00
Total Net Receipts	35,041.73
Cash on hand at beginning of year, July 1, 1960	3,475.27
Grand Total Net Receipts	38,517.00

PAYMENTS

	1960-61 Budget	Total Spent	Balance June 30
Salaries of District Officers	300.00	250.00	50.00
Superintendent's Salary	231.00	231.00	
Per Capita Tax	226.00	224.00	2.00
Salaries of Admin. Personnel	260.00	256.00	4.00
Supplies and Expenses	400.00	260.67	139.33
Teachers' Salaries	11,650.00	11,282.00	368.00
Books and Other Aids	200.00	91.24	108.76
Scholars Supplies	400.00	189.30	210.70
Supplies and Other Expenses	75.00	47.08	27.92
Janitor Service	725.00	687.00	38.00
Fuel	400.00	229.50	170.50
Water, Lights, Supplies and Expenses	310.00	263.49	46.51
Repairs and Replacements	500.00	701.12	- 201.12
Health	350.00	373.97	- 23.97
Transportation	5,400.00	5,406.00	- 6.00
Tuition, High	10,330.00	10,606.75	- 276.75
Tuition, Elem.	5,270.00	6,459.44	- 1189.44
Special Activites & Special Funds	50.00	4.90	45.10
Retirement and OASI	1,040.00	880.57	159.43
Insurance Tr. Bonds and Expenses	100.00	70.94	29.06
Lands and New Buildings			
New Equipment	100.00		100.00
Totals:	38,317.00	38,514.97	- 197.97
Tuition received	200.00		
June 30, 1961	38,517.00	38,514.97	2.03

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books and other financial records of the School Board of Columbia of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1961 and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

Arlene G. White
Barbara V. Haynes

June 30, 1961

Auditors

DETAILED EXPENDITURES

1960-61

Salaries of District Officers:

Thelma G. Covell, School Board	60.00
Edwin C. Frizzell, School Board	60.00
Erwin L. Parkhurst, School Board	60.00
Annie S. Frizzell, Treasurer	60.00
Harry F. Lang Moderator	5.00
Annie S. Frizzell, Clerk	5.00
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	250.00

Supt's Salary:

State Treasurer	231.00
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In accordance with the laws of 1961, Chapter 189, Section 48, a breakdown of the total amount paid to the Superintendent by the State and respective school districts follows:

	Salary	Travel	Total
State of N. H.	\$4500.00		4500.00
Colebrook	1650.00	600.00	2250.00
Columbia	231.00	84.00	315.00
Clarksville	165.00	60.00	225.00
Pittsburg	825.00	300.00	1125.00
Stewartstown	429.00	156.00	585.00
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Totals:	7800.00	1200.00	9000.00

Per Capita Tax:

State Treasurer	224.00
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Salaries of Other Admin. Personnel:

Erwin L. Parkhurst, Census	20.00
Thelma G. Covell, Census	20.00
Marion E. Wells Bookkeeper	79.55
Irene M. Holt, Secretary	121.25
N. H.-Vt. Hospitalization Service, Blue Cross	9.20
Harry F. Lang, Truant Officer	6.00
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	256.00

Supplies and Expenses:

Edson C. Eastman, supplies	25.50
N. E. Telephone and Telegraph Co., phone	63.78
State Treas., Superintendent's travel	84.00
N. H. School Boards' Assoc., dues	10.00
George Caird, Postmaster, envelopes	10.21
Cascade Paper Co., supplies	.75
News and Sentinel, notices	5.00
E. F. Royal Co., banquet supplies	18.87
Sims Dairy, banquet supplies	2.13
Stickney's Pharmacy, banquet supplies	1.12
Colebrook Freezer Lockers, banquet supplies	.89
Bryant's, banquet supplies	.87
Carolyn Covell, banquet help	5.00
Colebrook School District, office expenses	14.98
Ernest B. Dana, office expenses	9.70
Pittsburg School District, nurse-phone	7.87
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	260.67

Teachers' Salaries:

Florence B. Hughes	2,799.90
Myra A. Holbrook	2,736.60
Isabella D. Spofford	2,921.30
David E. Killam	403.70
Colebrook National Bank, withholding tax	1,461.10
N. H.-Vt Hospitalization Service, Blue Cross	56.40
Treasurer, State of N. H., OASI	336.30
Teachers' Retirement System	494.70
Mary E. White, substitute	72.00
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	11,282.00

Books and Other Expenses:

Follett Publishing Co.	12.00
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Houghton Mifflin Co.	23.00
Rand McNally Co., maps	19.29
Ginn and Co.	10.93
American Book Co.	22.19
Gledhill Bros., poster maps	2.25
Charles E. Merrill, Books	1.58
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	91.24
Scholars' Supplies:	
Phillips Paper Co., supplies	18.00
World Book Co., workbooks and tests	21.68
The Macmillan Co., workbooks, tests	7.59
The L. W. Singer Co., workbooks	22.17
Follett Publishing Co., workbooks	17.21
Scott, Foresman and Co., workbooks	5.10
American Book Co., workbooks	21.02
Houghton Mifflin Co., workbooks	4.69
Beaudette and Co., master sheets	1.44
Paris Industries, magic markers	1.06
J. L. Hammett Co., supplies	12.30
Milton Bradley Co., supplies	17.00
Scholastic Magazines, subscriptions	9.20
American Education Publication, subscriptions	5.00
Mainco Trading Co., supplies	8.90
Cascade Paper Co., scotch tape	1.25
University of N. H., testing	2.20
The Ruwe Pencil Co., pencils	11.49
Carl Larson and Sons, staples	2.00
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	189.30
Supplies and Other Expenses:	
University of N. H., film	1.50
Webster Publishing Co., class books	2.70
Valley Forge Flag Co., flags	18.72
Follett Publishing Co., tests	1.79
Houghton Mifflin Co., readers	3.72
National Geographic Society, Atlas	6.75
N. Y. World Telegram, almanacs	3.90
Stewart A. Frizzell, tuning piano	8.00
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	47.08
Janitor Service:	
Thelma G. Covell, two schools	444.00
Florence L. Reardon Stanton, Cone	222.00

Robert Dube, cleaning yard	1.00
Florence Reardon Stanton, cleaning	10.00
Thelma G. Covell, cleaning	10.00
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	687.00
Fuel:	
Walter Collins, wood	91.50
L. Parkhurst and Sons, kindling	20.00
Duane Gadwah, piling wood	42.00
Berkley Edwards, piling wood	17.00
Milton Adair, hauling slabwood	47.00
Florence Reardon Stanton, piling wood	8.00
Robert Dube, piling wood	4.00
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	229.50
Water, Lights, Supplies and Expenses:	
Public Service Co., lights	61.45
N. H. Electric Cooperative, Inc., lights	160.49
The Peck Co, towels	3.35
The Procter and Gamble Co., soap	5.64
Frank T. Cody Co., bulbs	10.87
American Chemical Co., toilet tissue	5.00
Standard Cotton Goods Co., kitchen cloths	5.00
Farmers Feed and Supply Co., road salt	1.70
P. A. Hicks and Sons, supplies	4.49
E. F. Royal Co., cleaning supplies	2.50
J. L. Hammett Co., toilet tissue	3.00
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	263.49
Repairs and Replacements:	
L. Parkhurst and Sons, bldg. supplies	177.22
Daniel Hebert, labor on furnace and water	71.88
Milton Adair, shingling	206.00
Farmers Feed and Supply Co., cement	9.60
Chester Martin, repairs	231.42
Hughes Radio and Electric Shop, record player	4.00
Robert Wilson, glass	1.00
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	701.12
Health:	
Ethel S. Sturgis, Nurse	300.50
N. H.-Vt. Hospitalization Service, Blue Cross	3.93
Treasurer, State of N. H., OASI	9.87
Teachers Retirement System	14.70

Dickson's Pharmacy, supplies		7.62
Thelma Covell, trans. to clinic		5.00
Stickney's Pharmacy, supplies		1.35
Drs. Gifford and Parsons, physicals		20.00
Dr. Mertrude D. Norris, pre-school clinic		4.00
Dr. Bruce Kelly, pre-school clinic		7.00
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		373.97
Transportation:		
Verne Reynolds		2700.00
Thelma Covell		2700.00
W. F. Nugent-sub.-Reynolds		6.00
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		5406.00
Tuition:		
	High	Elem.
Colebrook School District	7414.75	6197.44
Stratford School District	3192.00	
Crotchett Mountain Rehabilitation Center, Pauline Sweatt		262.00
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	10,606.75	6,459.44
Special Activities:		
N. Y. Athletic Supply Co., balls		4.90
Retirement and OASI:		
N. H. Dept. of Public Welfare, Admin. costs		2.26
Treasurer, State of N. H., OASI		285.71
Teachers Retirement System		592.60
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		880.57
Insurance and Tr. Bonds:		
Elsie M. Annis, bond		10.00
Edwin C. Frizzell, Insurance		60.94
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		70.94

B U D G E T 1962-63

(Compared with the Budget of 1961-62 and Expenditures of
1960-61)

	Amount Spent 1960-61	Budget 1961-62	Proposed Budget 1962-63
* Salaries of District Officers	250.00	300.00	300.00
* Superintendent's Salary	231.00	238.00	272.00
* Per Capita Tax	224.00	252.00	282.00
Salaries of Admin. Personnel	256.00	260.00	306.00
Supplies and Expenses	260.67	400.00	412.00
Teachers' Salaries	11,282.00	12,250.00	8,850.00
Books and Other Aids	91.24	200.00	175.00
Scholar's Supplies	189.30	400.00	350.00
Supplies and Other Expenses	47.08	75.00	60.00
Janitor Service	687.00	734.00	498.00
Fuel	229.50	400.00	350.00
Water, Lights			
Supplies and Expenses	263.49	340.00	250.00
Repairs and Replacements	701.12	500.00	300.00
Health	373.97	380.00	387.00
Transportation	5,406.00	5,400.00	5,940.00
Tuition-High	10,606.75	12,644.00	14,850.00
Tuition-Elem.	6,459.44	8,400.00	10,615.00
Special Activities	4.90	50.00	50.00
* Retirement and OASI	880.57	1,075.00	816.00
Insurance, Tr. Bonds and Expenses	70.94	33.00	62.00
New Equipment	-----	400.00	100.00
Totals:	38,514.97	44,731.00	45,225.00

* The starred items are required by law to be raised as determined by the proper authorities. The salaries of the district officers are determined by the district. A relationship which takes into consideration school membership and assessed valuation, determines the proportionate share of the salaries paid by each district for personnel employed by the supervisory union. The state Treasurer reports the amount of the Per Capita Tax. The Retirement Board assesses the amount of Teachers' Retirement.

ESTIMATED INCOME 1962-63

State Aid	15,000.00
Balance	2,000.00
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Total	17,000.00
School Board's Budget	45,225.00
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Requested Appropriation	28,225.00

REGISTRATION AND ATTENDANCE

1960 - 1961

SCHOOL AND TEACHER	Grade	Number of Pupils	Number of Boys	Average Attendance	Average Membership	Percentage of Attendance	Number of Tardinesses
Florence B. Hughes, Church School	1-4	20	9	16.85	17.88	94.20	.18
Myra A Holbrook, Grand Division	5-8	19	9	17.32	18.26	94.86	.05
Isabella D. Spofford, Cone	1-4	32	13	29.98	31.57	94.95	.00
Totals		71	31	64.15	67.71	94.67	.07

TEACHERS' CONTRACTED SALARIES 1961-62

Florence B. Hughes	3800.00
Myra A. Holbrook	3800.00
Thelma V. Whitcher	3800.00
David E. Killam	488.00

NURSE AND SALARY

Ethel S. Sturgis	336.00
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JANITORS AND SALARIES

	Per Week
Linda G. Parker, Church	6.00
Anthony D. Hartwell, Grand Division	6.00
Florence L. Reardon Stanton, Cone	6.00

TRANSPORTATION

	Rate Per Day	Pupils Carried	Miles Per Day
Stewart A. Rainville	\$14.00	29	44
Verne M. Reynolds	15.00	72	64

ENROLLMENT

Church, Grades 1-4, 11; Grand Division, Grades 5-8, 21; Cone, Grades 1-4, 30. Total, 62.

TUITION PUPILS AND RATES

	No.	Rate
Colebrook Academy	17	\$436.00
Colebrook Elementary	35	200.00
Stratford High	8	436.00

TUITION RECEIVED

Lemington, Vermont	1	\$200.00
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VITAL STATISTICS

FOR THE TOWN OF

COLUMBIA, N. H.

1961

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF COLUMBIA, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1961

Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Age	Date	Place of Marriage	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Arnold Foster Goodrum	22	Jan. 14, 1961	Colebrook, N. H.	Hazen Goodrum	Hazel Purrington
Rilla Mae Dobson	18			Earl Dobson	Caroline Kenny
Kenneth Benjamin Smith	20	May 21, 1961	Colebrook, N. H.	Glenn Smith	Ruth Kenny
Elsie Christine Hodge	21			Lester Hodge	Theresa Delong
Stephen Ramsay Colby	23	Aug. 19, 1961	Colebrook N. H.	Freeman Colby	Ellen Ramsay
Linda May Covell	18			Kilburn Covell	Thelma Goodwin
Everett Stanton	78	Oct. 4, 1961	Groveton, N. H.	George Stanton	Anne Hunter
Florence Reardon	50			Eugene Whiting	Florence Hendrick
Paul George Poulin	26	Dec. 9, 1961	No. Stratford, N. H.	Gerard Poulin	Aurore Bedard
Arlene Theo Sweatt	22			Sylvan Sweatt	Evangeline Hamel

BIRTH REGISTRATION IN THE TOWN OF COLUMBIA, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1961

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Place of Birth
Mar. 21, 1961	Rebecca Lynn Ellingwood	Leland C. Ellingwood	May E. Reynolds	West Stewartstown, N. H.
Mar. 18, 1961	Mark Reynolds Bender	Frank R. Bender	Erma L. Johannes	St. Johnsbury, Vt.
Apr. 14, 1961	Randall Robert Rainville	Wilbur A. Rainville	Roberta Spizner	West Stewartstown, N. H.
Apr. 26, 1961	Ricky Allen Washburn	Victor A. Washburn	Aline G. LeBlanc	West Stewartstown, N. H.
May 16, 1961	Carl Everett Stanton	Everett A. Stanton	Marion L. Adair	West Stewartstown, N. H.
June 6, 1961	Charlene Sadie Bryant	Charles L. Bryant	Hilda I. Davis	West Stewartstown, N. H.
June 19, 1961	Gary Louis Flanders	Raymond C. Flanders	Jean H. Bennett	Lancaster, N. H.
July 15, 1961	Sally Ann Fournier	Lawrence J. Fournier	Alma Duplississ	West Stewartstown, N. H.
July 19, 1961	Omer Allen Parry	Derwood A. Parry	Theresa Belanger	West Stewartstown, N. H.
Aug. 16, 1961	Lisa Margaret Placey	Ray Placey, Jr.	Mary Lou Salls	West Stewartstown, N. H.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF COLUMBIA, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1961

Date of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Yrs.	Mos.	Days	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Mar. 21, 1961	Florence Little Pilbro	82			Augustus Little	Unknown
Feb. 24, 1961	Ivan Nason	83			Lorenzo Nason	Sarah Noyes
Apr. 17, 1961	Francis Jacques	75			Hyacinthe Jacques	Maria Breault
Sept. 17, 1961	Howard Charles Gadwah	41			Leon C. Gadwah	Gladys McCormick
May 1, 1961	Glen B. Smith	57			Hollis Smith	Jennie Wheeler
May 16, 1961	Carl Everett Stanton			6 hrs.	Everett Stanton	Marion Adair
Oct. 17, 1961	Adelaide Mitchell	88			Unknown Gamsby	Unknown
Oct. 31, 1961	Worthy O'Dell	76			Edward O'Dell	Alice Crawford
Nov. 19, 1961	Edwin D. Sweeney	65			Peter Sweeney	Mattie Terrill
Dec. 2, 1961	Alice G. Jordan Gee	78			William Jordan	Sarah Swett

PROGRAM OF THE WHITE MOUNTAINS REGION ASSOCIATION

The White Mountains Region Association as a voluntary non-profit organization, receives support from the communities of the Region, the state and from individual members so that a program of cooperative promotion and development of northern New Hampshire may be carried on.

The Association publishes and distributes six different folders a year advertising the many advantages of the Region. It receives and carefully answers about 6,000 letters per year from people interested in a vacation in the North Country. The value of this single service cannot be over-emphasized. Recent surveys have shown that the tourists attracted by this mailing service have spent many hundreds of thousands of dollars in the Region. The Association sponsors the annual fall foliage tours, and represents the Region at national travel shows.

Through its board of directors, it is able to speak for the Region's needs at state and national hearings and at important meetings within the Region. It maintains a news release service to local newspapers to help inform the citizens of the North Country of worth-while activities and economic trends.

This winter the Association is running a cooperative ad program with the chambers of commerce in the ski areas to promote skiing in the White Mountains. It cooperates with private promotional groups, local chambers of commerce, and with the state promotional agencies. It promotes the sale of real estate through the mailing of real-estate purchase bulletins to real estate brokers. It conducts labor surveys for groups interested in industrial development, maintains an award program for the 4-H Clubs, and promotes agriculture within the Region.

In uninterrupted service since 1938, it has helped establish the White Mountains Region as a vacation center as fine as any in the world and contributed in many other ways to the economic betterment of all forty-six communities in northern New Hampshire.

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